

rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-double patenting as unpatentable over claims 1, 5-7, and 11 of U.S. patent 5,751,024 to Takahashi.

Addressing now the above-noted double patenting rejection, that rejection is traversed by the present response.

More particularly, filed with the present response is a Terminal Disclaimer disclaiming any patent which may issue on the present application over U.S. patent 5,751,024 to Takahashi. The submission of that Terminal Disclaimer is believed to address the outstanding double patenting rejection, and thus withdrawal of the outstanding double patenting rejection is respectfully requested.

As no other issues are pending in this application, it is respectfully submitted that the present application is now in condition for allowance, and it is hereby respectfully requested that this case be passed to issue.

Respectfully submitted,

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--Claims 27-39 (Canceled)--